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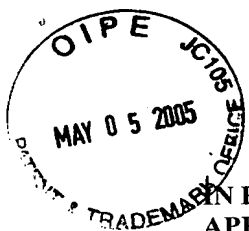
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APPLICATION OF: Tomisaburo Yamaguchi, et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/660,888

FILED: September 13, 2000

FOR: SHIELDED CONNECTOR OF REDUCED-SIZE
WITH IMPROVED RETENTION
CHARACTERISTICS

EXAMINER: Felix O. Figueroa

ART UNIT: 2833

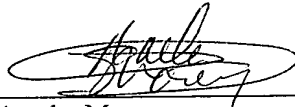
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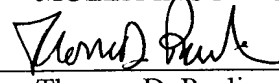
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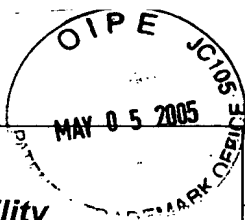
On February 18, 2005, the office issued a Notice of Allowability (PTOL-85) in this application. The Examiner has previously objected to the drawings on January 31, 2001, to which the Applicants filed proposed drawings corrections with amendment on April 30, 2001.

Applicants hereby transmit seven (7) sheets of formal drawings containing FIGS. 1-16 and incorporating the changes approved by the Examiner.

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Notice of Allowability

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☒ This communication is responsive to the Terminal Disclaimer filed October 29, 2004.

☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-11 and 13-21.

☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.

☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:

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Attachment(s)

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☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
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